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(U) A key element in the People's Republic of China (PRC) weapon research and development (R&D) system is the infusion of foreign technology. Since 1949, mainland China has progressed from a country with practically no manufacturing capability to one capable of designing and producing aircraft, spacecraft, and missiles. Progress has been made possible, in large part, by assimilation of foreign technology—initially that of the USSR followed, in the early 1960's, by that of countries outside the Communist camp.